IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRI. APPLICATION NO. 3857 OF 2004

Avinash Raghunath Shinde .. Petitioner.

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra .. Respondent.

Mr. Revati P. Mohite Dere for Petitioner.
Mr. K.V. Saste, APP for Respondent.

CORAM : A.M.KHANWILKAR, J.
DATED : 30.09.2004

PC :-

. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

. I am not inclined to interfere at the instance of the present applicant with the order of the lower court, as I am in agreement with the reasons recorded by the lower court for rejecting the bail application. However, the appropriate course to my mind is to direct the trial court to expedite the hearing of the case. I am informed that if the matter is assigned to the Fast Track Court, it can be disposed of within six months from today. If it is so, the concerned District Judge is directed to assign the pending trial to Fast Track Court to ensure that the same is concluded, preferably within 6 months. If the trial

is not concluded within six months, it will be open to the Applicant to approach this court afresh. However, it is made clear that if it is found that the applicant is responsible for the delay of the trial in any manner, the request can be turned down.

. Order accordingly.

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